BROWNSVILLE, TEX. SEE MAP One of the Interesting Spots on This Globe Is Going Into Fast Decay Near Border.

OF THE FRONTIER

By EDWARD BLACK.

Get out your map and look way down the western coast of the Gulf of Mexico, in the southwestern part of Texas, and will see the name of a town known Brownsville. This out-of-the-way place was little known to the world until a few years ago when United States negro troopers stationed at Fort Brown "shot up" the town. Then Brownsville was put on the map. The people are not proud of that event; it clings to them as a sort of a nightmare.

Brownsville is one of the most unique towns of the country. There are about 12,000 residents, with approximately 9,000 Mexicans and 3,000 Americans. It rests on the Rio Grande river and from the edge of town one may look across the river and see the trees of old Mexico in the distance. The town is as level as a table and it is built right up to the river bank. Fort Brown is within a few blocks of the business district. There are now about 1,000 United States soldiers-cavalrymen, field battery and coast artillery men -at the fort in charge of Colonel A. P. Blocksom, who has part of the border

This town is a typical border town. was talking one day to Chief of Police Billy Linton, who said: "This is one of the toughest towns along the border. It is in the free state of Cameron." meant Brownsville is in Cameron county, and between the lines he meant that in a sense it can hardly be regarded as being in the United States.

Pince to Be Quiet.

Brownsville is not a healthy place to "start anything." The men there know how to fondle blue-steel hardware with precision. They do not believe in wasting ammunition. Conditions have been improving of late. It is not many years since the first railroad was built into Brownsville. The only real line now entering the town is the St. Louis, Browns ville & Mexico, which now is in the hands of a receiver. There is a twenty-mile narrow gauge line running to Point Isabel, on the gulf.

This town has the most execrable streets of any town of the size in the country. During the rainy season the main streets leading to the new court house are a foot deep with a black, sticky mud which is churned up by the Mexican "hacks," which are the chief means of conveyance. The fine new court house was built about half a mile from the main street, and at times it is hardly possible to walk to this court house without getting into mud up to one's shoe tops.

The American residence section includes some beautiful homes, but the Mexican quarters are typical of old Mexico, with small dingy structures along dismal streets. I asked an editor why the streets were not improved so as to drain the moisture during the rainy season, and he replied by saying that it would be impossible from an engineering standpoint. because part of the town is lower than

Rowboat Ferry.

From one of the main streets is a board walk which leads to the United States immigration and customs houses at the river. At this point is what is known as a "ferry," consisting of swarthy Mexicans with row boats. For 5 cents one may be taken across the river, and on the other Henry is an actress of uncom side is the terminus of a street car line evenly balanced in her capacity, both which goes up to Matamoros, in the state The street cars are drawn by little Mexican horses.

After a ride through an uninviting character she is asked to put on. Mr. waste of country, the street car enters Lynch has also shown a wide range of Matamoros, which today is a relic of what sdaptability, and has made a great many once was a prosperous Mexican city of new friends by his work with the com-6,000 people. Today the population is pany. Mr. Blies is a stage director of about 15,000. Poverty and gloom are seen much experience and catholic taste, and on every hand. The visitor may see Mexican soldiers here and there, peering under pany under his skillful handling is aclarge hats with ominous glances. They complishing wonders in the way of in-are a nondescript lot, with all sorts of telligent presentation of a most interestgarments and taking a seeming delight ing list of plays.

People Frightened Away. year ago last May Matamoros was enjoying prosperity under the Villa an established fact that such celebrities regime, but the constitutionalists came in and took the town, burned the bull ring and scared most of the people away. It was the renown of Bernhardt which They crossed to the American side by thousands. There was a fine band of salary of \$5,000 a week; but now there is thirty-five men and that is all gone. Gone are the buil fights and the social life of the city. The Carranzistas have established a so-called military headquarters uptown, with General E. P. Naferrata in nmand. I visited the headquarters and saw many machine guns stored and ready for immediate use. The soldiers have built earthworks south of the town. Some of the well-to-do Spanish families

still maintain their residence there. I met Elisabeth Chandler Hendrix of Atlanta, Ga., in Matamores and she told me the poverty there just now is almost unspeakable. Last Christmas time she succeeded in getting a carload of presents and clothing from people in Texas for the children of Matamoros. She has written "My Brother's Keeper," a story from a Chicago press. She has spent a year studying Mexican life as it really exists and she believes the Mexicans are a benighted lot, with invaluable natural resources at their very door and yet they are hardly civilized.

Woman Smuggler in Running Fight With Officers

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 12.-A woman smuggler, known as Goldie Evans, led a band of filte men in battle against those who will see "The Heart of Paddy Moore, who are making their initial

DAUGHTER OF THE LATE





Frances McHenry

Commonly it won't do to believe what

you hear about the amazing salaries re-

ceived by vaudeville performers; yet it ta

made it possible for her to command a

an entertainer, a mere variety performer,

but, working as he does on a percentage

in some weeks that figure is exceeded.

of him-Sylvaster Schaffer. Manager

Byrne of the Orpheum has word that this

highest salarled entertainer in the world

comes to Omaha during the week of

This is what Schaffer does: He pre-

sents ten headline acts entirely by him-

Olcott is said to have a vehicle quite

February 24.



Miss Elsie Bernard At the Empress

Broth of a Boy," and several old time Celtio favorites. The engagement is at the Brandels theater for three nights, beginning tonight with a special matines

"Under Cover," Roi Cooper Megrue's entertaining mystery melodrama of the secret service, transatiantic smuggling and New York's conartest set, produced by Selwyn & Co. will be the attraction as Bernhardt and Ethel Barrymore have at the Brandels theater three nights, bedrawn stipends of astonishing proportions ginning Sunday, February II, with special matinee on Monday, Washington's birthday. Selwyn & Co. are sending the original Chicago company to this city. This is headed by H. B. Warner, the well-known star of "Alias Jimmy Valenwho receives as much as she received. True, he is not guaranteed that much. as Isabel Irving, Rita Stanwood, Wilbasis, he never fails to get his \$5.000, and liam Courtleigh, jr.; Frank Kingdon, Thomas McGrane and Ruth Donnelly. Who is he? Doubtless you have heard

Abe Potash and Mawruas Perimutter. Montague Glass' heroes, comes to the Brandels theater for four nights and a Saturday matines beginning Wednesday February 24, with Alexander Carr. Barney Bernard, Lee Kohlmar, Pearl Sindelar. Grace Fielding and the same company that played it for fifty-six consecuself. First, he shows card and coin tive weeks in New York and twentymanipulations; then he paints in oil; next six weeks at the Olympic theater, Chitains as a German juggler; fifth, he is a played by this organization. Manager circus horseman; sixth, appears as animal Woods describes "Potash and Perimuttrainer; seventh, as a rifle marksman; ter" as "an up-te-date sarment in three eighth, as a violinst; ninth, as a strong pieces, made by our special designer man; tenth, a startling finale that he from material in the famous stories by calls "Apotheosis." Schaffer works alone Montague Glass," a description so canon the stage, but he carries with him a nily worded that you may take your musical director, a physician and a physi- choice as to whether Mr. Glass wrote the play as well as the stories or not. Pinochie and politics, love and law con Chauncey Olcott's annual engagements tribute to the rapid succession of inalways bring this favorite star in cidents in which cupid and clock cutters plays of romantic interest and in his take leading parts. new comedy, by Rachel Chothers, Mr.

Two stellar features are to share head unusual. Its title is "The Heart of line prominence this week at the Or-Paddy Whack," a quaint name which pheum. One of the acts is to be contriwill itself attaract much attention. To buted by the musical comedy favorites, tell the plot would spoil the interest of William Montgomery and Florence

In a special car attached to the Los deeper sentiments. Its scenes are laid in the barrister's picturesque garden and in the living room of his home. As the play has its scenes in the period of fifteen persons. The party is routed to Les Angeles

with rollicking fun and shade often into deeper sentiments. Its scenes are laid the sebastian drag. An aerial novelty of an astonishing sort is to be offered by Kremolina and the Darras brothers. In perfect picture productions of "East play has its scenes in the period of its production. Mr. Olcott will have his sieter. The Orpheum Travel Weekly selection of reel art to show at the Hipp

will once again project motion picture, views of picturesque places the world

Mollie

Williams

Florence

Moore

At the Orpheum

For the coming week at the Boyd, "A Woman's Way" is to be the bill, the first performance coming at the matinee this afternoon. This is the first really "smart" comedy the company has presented, and will be the more welcome because of that fact. It tells the of how a clever wife rescued her husband from the wiles of a fascinating widow by just showing him "the difference." The play is cleverly written, and sparkles in every act with its bright wit. happy humor and cutting satire. It is also the first "dress" affair of the spring season, and will give-the ladies of the company an opportunity to display their new gowns and hats, a chance that is not going to be overlooked. Miss McHenry will be Marion Stanton, the wife, and Miss Dewar will play Mrs. Blakemore, the wifow. Mr. Lynch, of course, will be Jack Stanton, the husband who almost makes a mistake, and Mr. Lindholm, Mr. Watson, Miss Warfield and Miss Gilbert will be prominent in the cast. For the special Tuesday evening attraction, Lena Ellsworth Dale has been secured and will give a program of her own songs on that evening. Managor Burgess also announces that he has reengaged Helen Kroner and Harry Walker to give their dance demonstrations at each performance during the week. "A Woman's Way" will be offered first at the matinee this afternoon, and will be presented each evening during the week, with other matinees on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons.

(Pearl Ross, Dorothy Drew and Annette called for trial. Marion), Jennette La Dove, Lillian Marion), Jennette La Dove, Lillian Affects All Attorneys.

Erier, Dot Carlyle, Milton Hammer and Mr. Connell asserts that forcing him

traction. William Benson and company head the be offered by Homer B. Mason and Mar- bill at the Empress with their novelty of-Emerson Browne. For her Cleopatra of the first water and has an internamesquite bushes of the desert, but in the Dublin. Here he lives among his friends dance Princess Radjah is best known. tional reputation. The three Halson boys She herself is an Egyptian whose beauty are premier cabaret entertainers and ecers and six Chinese who they were trying him a favorite with his guiet life comes Mona to smuggle into the United States were clients. Into his guiet life comes Mona variety stage. The Arabian chair dance have their "Fresh Cabby" comedy and the smuggle into the United States were clients. Into his guiet life comes Mona variety stage. The Arabian chair dance have their "Fresh Cabby" comedy and the smuggle into the United States were clients. Into his guiet life comes Mona variety stage. The Arabian chair dance have their "Fresh Cabby" comedy and the smuggle into the United States were clients. Into his guiet life comes Mona variety stage. The Arabian chair dance have their "Fresh Cabby" comedy and the smuggle into the United States were clients. Into his guiet life comes Mona variety stage. of contraband Chinese in the amuggler's and one of her first acts is to nick-name Haager, who have appeared in the support of Gertrude Hoffman and Sam BerCaptain Swift' is the photo-play offerAll but six escaped to the mountains of finds his affection for her deepening and one of her first acts is to nick-name Haager, who have appeared in the support of Gertrude Hoffman and Sam BerCaptain Swift' is the photo-play offering for the week. The story deals with a into a greater love, but he stills his love and songs. The act is one of the most wide range of material from the life of and tries to arrange a fitting match for her with a younger man. But Mona and the fates will otherwise and a romance develops that is said to sparkle than and Dorothy Bentley. Their pars shown at noon, at supper time and after with rollicking fun and shade often into ticular numbers are the rose walts and the last evening show.



theater during the week. He also has had the theater handsomely decorated again, to add to the pleasure of his patrons. Mile. Deslys, presented by Daniel Frohman, and with Harry Pilcer as her dancing partner, will be seen in slaborate motion pictures of the dancedrama, "Her Triumph." at the Hipp Wednesday and Thursday. A beautiful film revival of "East Lynne," with 7,000 feet of wonderful photography that cost \$200,000 to produce historically correct in England, with British stars, will be projected Monday and Tuesday. The attraction for Friday and Saturday will be John Emerson, another Frohman star, in "The Bachelor's Romance," filmed after the famous comedy of that name. The special bill for today only is the Broadway Star feature film, "C. O. D.," a hilarious concoction, with Wally Van as the chief functer.

CONNELL FORCED BY JUDGE

Order by English Compels Attorney to Withdraw from Defense of Matters.

RULE AFFECTS ALL ATTORNEYS W. J. Connell has practically been forced to retire from the defense in the Matters case, now being tried in the federal court by the action of Judge English

of the state court. While actually engaged in the trial of the Matters case in the United States court Friday Mr. Connell received a telephone message that Judge English had set down for immediate trial the case of Lang against the Omaha Street Rallway company and that a jury would be called at 3 o'clock. Mr. Connell at once got busy during the noon recess, and explaining his dilemma to Judge English over the phone, tried to arrange for passing the Lang case until he could get through

with the Matters case. Goes Into Lang Case. This, Judge English refused to do and at 2 o'clock the empanneling of a jury in the absence of Mr. Connell was commenced. In the meantime James E. Rait of Sullivan and Rait had been called into the Lang case to represent the street railway company until Mr. Connell could free himself from the Matters trial. This Mr. Connell succeeded in doing by pulling out of the defense in the Matters case and leaving it entirely to his associates, Burkett & Wilson of Lincoln. He says he was obliged to do this by reason of the importance of the Lang case involving, as it did, a claim of \$10,000, and it being a case that he had tried once before and one which he knew the facts and points involved. Mr. Matters strongly objected to his leaving the defense, but Mr. Connell stated that in view of the action of Judge English he could not do otherwise

Had Agreement with Lang's Counsel Mr. Connell is very indignant over the situation and says he greatly regrets Jake Goldenberg's "Gay New York- that he was not permitted to represent ers" company opens a week's engage- Mr. Matters to the end of the trial, which the Gayety theater, with the he believes will be concluded in a much matinee this afternoon, continuing shorter time than has been predicted. He throughout Auto show week. There is says before he entered upon the defense enough action in the two acts of the of the Matters case he had a full underdoes Japanese juggling; fourth, he enter- case. Omaha will be the fifth city to be play to occupy the busiest mind, and standing with the attorney representing sufficient amusing dialogue and original Lang and it was agreed that the Lang music of the better kind to please all. case would not be crowded for trial until Daniel Murphy and Irving Gear have after the Matters cose was concluded. been entrusted with the comedy of the He further says that under the rules of play. The presenting company also names the district court of Douglas county it Miss Dolly Morrissey, the Parisian is expressly stated that engagements of nightingale; Stella Morrissey, Alma counsel in the actual trial or hearing be-Flaming, Beatrice Loftus, Percy Pollock, fore some court of record is a sufficient Jack Manly, the Three Harmony Girls ground and reason for passing any case

> the Fifth Avenue Fashion Plate Beauty out of the Matters case by requiring that chorus complete a standard of show that the Lang case should be immediately is well worth patronage. Ladies' mat- tried was not only contrary to the letter inces will be given daily, to which the and spirit of the rules of court referred indies are invited to attend. Mollie to, but is a matter that involves the Williams will be the special added at- rights of every attorney in active practice. He says that it is a matter that should be considered and acted upon by the Bar association to avoid such occurrences in the future. He says that "an injury to one should be the concern of all," but he says he has no expectation that the Bar association will take any action. It is made up, Mr. Connell says, of a number of attorneys who run it in their own personal interest, and for that reason, Mr. Connell states, he has nothing to do with it. He says he can stand what has been done if the other attorneys can do so. He recognises that the street railway company has no rights that even judges are bound to respect, but that his own shoulders are broad and that he can take without complaint whatever blows are directed toward him.

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> > "But there are no jobs."
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three United States immigration officials Whack," but a glimpse at the start of vaudeville appearance. The other is to at the Mexican border near Calicxio last the play will be interesting. Paddy night, according to word received by fed- Whack is in reality Dennis O'Malley, a guerite Keeler, who appear in the one- fering known as "Hop Lee's Dream." eral officials here today. Bullets were presentable barrister who prefers his act play, "Married," written by Porter The skit is a comedy musical rendition exchanged in a running fight among the quiet town to greater legal success in end the woman, one of her male follow- and his kind heart and bright wit make ers and six Chinese who they were trying him a favorite with his neighbors and and oriental grace is well known to the centric dancers. Bernard and Meyers to amuggle into the United States were clients. Into his quiet into the unusual creations the peculiar horse. Nadel and Kane are taken prisoners by the three government Cairn, his ward long away at school. is another of her unusual creations. the peculiar horse. Nadel and Kane are the peculiar horse and cordain the closing act and have proven to be a

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